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CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS INCREASE IN YUGOSLAVIA,
ARE UNRESTRICTED IN BULGARIA

DALMATIA HAS SUFFICIENT CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS -- Split, Slobodna Dalmacija, 20 Jun 51

Construction material in greatest demand in Dalmatia is cement, and though there is a sufficient supply of it, there is a shortage of paper bags. Consequently, cement can be obtained easily only by those enterprises or individuals who can provide their own transportation or who are located near the railroad. Others pack it in wooden barrels.

Recently, a regulation was published ordering the return of paper bags. However, very few have been returned to date. During this time, the General Commercial Enterprise in Split has shipped only 50 tons in returned bags, although they had orders for 500 tons.

Of all brickyard products, Dalmatia uses mostly pressed tile and sewage tile, obtained mainly from brickyards in Bedekovscina, Karlovac, and Vinkovci. The present demand is for 3 million tiles; the General Commercial Enterprise has contracted for one third of this amount. The brickyards have renewed contracts with former purchasers, and the remainder of their output has been placed at the disposal of others. Individual purchasers in Dalmatia have ordered about 500,000 tiles.

Procurement has been delayed by recent floods, which have decreased production in some brickyards. However, this situation will be eased soon because some brickyards in Slavonia are changing over to the production of the type of tile needed in Dalmatia.

Dalmatia has a sufficient supply of common and hollow brick.

The demand for lumber is relatively small because of high prices. Local demands are met by small sawmills, which sell cheaper. There is a shortage of fir, for which the demand is great.

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Even though fall is the principal buying season for building materials, buying has increased recently. For instance, since these products were placed on free sale, demand and supply at the "Jela" (Fir) Enterprise has increased 30 percent.

BUILD EXPERIMENTAL HOMES FROM NEW MATERIAL -- Zagreb, Vjesnik, 26 Jun 51

Ljubljana, 25 June -- Experimental homes are to be built in Cerknica from blocks made of sawdust, various chemical waste products, and cement. The blocks are 60 x 25 x 20 centimeters in size and are put together with a thin layer of mortar.

The first home of this type of material was built in Kranj. It showed the material to be very practical and climatically suitable. Engr Ivan Bartl, a member of the Forestry Institute in Ljubljana, originated the new material, which will soon be manufactured industrially in Cerknica.

BULGARIA SELLS CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS WITHOUT RESTRICTION -- Sofia, Izgrev, 24 Jul 51

The Industrial Combine for Construction Materials in Sofia advertises the unrestricted sale of the following products: manufactured bricks, flag-stone, concrete sewage pipes, oil products, ordinary and ballast sand, gravel, and crushed stone.

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